GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1063
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IMPROVEMENT OF WASTELAND
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several programmes have been started in the country for the improvement of wasteland;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount spent on the implementation of these programmes during the last three years;

(d) the details of land where reclamation work was carried out during the said period, State-wise;

(e) whether the area of wasteland is increasing every year; and

(f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)to(f): Yes Sir. According to an estimate an area of 638.52 lakh ha. in the country is categorized as Wasteland. Government of India is implementing seven major schemes namely, Integrated Wasteland Development Project (IWDP), Desert Development Programme (DDP), Drought Prone Areas Programme(DPAP), Reclamation of Alkali Soil (RAS), Watershed Development Project in Shifting Cultivation Areas (WDPSCA), National Watershed Development Project in Rainfed Areas (NWDPRA) and River Valley Project & Flood Prone Rivers (RVP & FPR), for improvement of wasteland and degraded lands.In past three years an amount of Rs.2220.03 crore have been spent for reclamation of 111.70 lakh ha. area. The State-wise and Scheme-wise details are in Annexure-I & II.

ANNEXURE-I

State-wise & Scheme-wise amount spent on improvement of Wasteland and Degraded land during last three years (1999-2002)

(Annexure to the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1063 for 22nd July 2002)

(Rs. In Lakh)

S.No. States IWDP DDP DPAP RAS WDPSCA NWDPRA RVP & Total FPR

1 Andhra Pra 4276.90 2087.00 11497.00 981.73 1935.63 20778.26
2 Arunachal Pr 85.85 321.77 80.00 487.62
3 Assam 2337.63 387.00 134.88 17.91 2877.42
4 Bihar 66.00 572.00 77.17 0.00 715.17
5 Chattisgargh 697.90 1381.00 1399.89 259.15 3737.94
6 Gujarat 2382.16 7454.00 3471.00 173.62 4087.63 1277.76 18846.17
7 Haryana 309.44 2748.00 291.83 320.39 421.59 4091.25
8 Himachal Pr 2538.79 1220.00 654.00 828.49 1536.65 6777.93
9 JharKhand 189.49 1569.00 49.32 0.00 1807.81
10 Jammu & Kashmir 693.13 1845.00 886.00 35.40 1383.91 4843.44
11 Karnataka 1933.22 1713.00 4322.00 5236.56 3544.47 16749.25

12 Kerala 241.03 2374.36 268.42 2883.81
13 Madhya Pradesh 3982.29 8258.00 5242.81 3745.95 21229.05
14 Maharashtra 1439.96 4553.00 5109.80 2825.28 13928.04
15 Manipaur 825.11 462.00 695.00 1982.11
16 Meghalaya 260.74 602.00 533.01 1395.75
17 Mizoram 933.23 1385.00 1511.00 107.03 3936.26
18 Nagaland 2419.11 1256.00 1595.00 5270.11
19 Orissa 1905.94 1698.00 1529.94 302.30 5436.18
20 Punjab 268.92 322.50 127.50 0.00 718.92
21 Rajasthan 2499.75 19919.00 2562.00 96.31 11465.41 4580.02 41122.49
22 Sikkim 836.44 678.42 0.00 1514.86
23 Tamil Nadu 1997.80 2600.00 4887.43 1505.20 10990.43
24 Tripura 160.23 602.44 950.92 102.10 1815.69
25 Uttar Pradesh 4169.27 3837.00 10.00 4873.34 5605.38 18494.99
26 Uttaranchal 632.33 835.00 1196.03 1631.93 4295.29
27 West Bengal 45.00 662.00 970.52 196.23 1873.75
28 Goa 81.39 81.39
29 A&N Island 91.57 91.57
30 Chandigarh 0.00
31 D & N Haveli 0.00 0.00
32 Delhi 0.00
33 Daman & Diu 0.00
34 Lakshadweep 0.00
35 Pondicherry 0.00
36 DVC(Jharkhand) 3036.10 3036.10
37 HQ/Others 15.00 52.00 127.00 194.00

Total 38127.66 37001.00 49409.00 894.26 5016.21 57144.91 34410.01 222003.05

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DDP - Desert Development Programme
DPAP - Drought prone Areas programme
RAS - Reclamation of alkali soil
WDPSCA - Watershed Development Project in Shifting Cultivation areas
NWDPRA - National Watershed Development Project in Rainfed Areas
RVP & FPR -River Valley Project & Flood Prone Rivers

ANNEXURE-II

State-wise & Scheme-wise land covered under improvement of Wasteland and Degraded land during last three years (1999-2002)

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Area in 000` ha

S.No. States IWDP DDP DPAP RAS WDPSCA NWDPRA RVP & Total

FPR

1 Andhra Pradweh 195.48 118.00 533.50 48.34 32.53 927.85
2 Arunachal Pra 8.30 10.05 1.67 20.02
3 Assam 193.13 8.91 0.00 0.54 202.58
4 Bihar 8.00 37.00 1.94 0.00 46.94
5 Chattisgargh 88.01 151.50 40.02 5.22 284.75
6 Gujarat 110.48 477.00 334.50 2.00 170.29 21.04 1115.31
7 Haryana 30.28 160.00 22.00 13.60 13.25 239.13
8 Himachal Pra 193.83 109.00 67.00 17.91 16.00 403.74
9 JharKhand 24.68 196.00 0.00 0.00 220.68
10 Jammu & Kashmir 30.57 140.00 88.00 0.17 16.44 275.18
11 Karnataka 116.23 218.50 379.50 132.16 91.66 938.05
12 Kerala 19.47 66.65 1.83 87.95
13 Madhya Pradesh 254.49 580.00 194.27 94.36 1123.12
14 Maharashtra 169.46 546.50 151.80 53.46 921.22
15 Manipaur 20.50 8.01 14.58 43.09
16 Meghalaya 34.72 7.46 13.65 55.83
17 Mizoram 113.12 20.93 30.40 0.83 165.28
18 Nagaland 127.18 16.82 30.91 174.91
19 Orissa 112.19 166.00 39.87 6.56 324.62

20	Punjab	14.18	11.00	2.78	0.00	27.96		
21	Rajasthan	205.30	1036.50	192.50	2.00	323.86	73.51	1833.67
22	Sikkim	42.94		13.57	0.00	56.51		
23	Tamil Nadu	157.61	180.00		150.93	13.90	502.44	
24	Tripura	19.42		10.02	21.92	1.77	53.13	
25	Uttar Pradesh	166.70	235.50		151.67	161.19	715.06	
26	Uttaranchal	79.16	119.00		30.94	19.53	248.63	
27	West Bengal	5.46	44.00		34.53	29.55	113.54	
28	Goa		2.80	2.80				
29	A&N Island			2.29	2.29			
30	Chandigarh				0.00			
31	D & N Haveli			0.00	0.00			
32	Delhi			0.00				
33	Daman & Diu				0.00			
34	Lakshadweep				0.00			
35	Pondicherry				0.00			
36	DVC(Jharkhand)				43.39	43.39		
	Total	2540.89	2259.00	3850.50	37.00	82.20	1703.52	696.56	11169.67

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